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PAUL'S NOTE

When it came time for Albert Elías to print up cards for funerals held at San Agustín Cathedral, he would use the old linotype machine in the back of his shop. He used it rather than modern equipment so he could load the cards by hand. It was important to him to make sure that proper care was taken when it came to such things.

I didn't have a lot of personal interactions with Don Elías. Judging from the stories I've heard about him since his death on Friday morning, I lost out.

Albert owned Old Pueblo Printers across from the police station on South Stone Avenue. When Stone Avenue became



a two-way street, KJZZ went to Albert to comment on the change. This wasn't just a matter of seeking out a long time business owner and resident (he lived in

Armory Park and walked to work every day for forty years), Albert understood the last eight decades of Tucson's history because he and his family had a

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hand in shaping them.

Albert's family had already been in Tucson since Spanish colonial times, and his grandfather, Francisco Moreno, founded Tucson's groundbreaking Spanish-language newspaper, *El Tucsonense*. Albert's first job was paperboy, selling the eight-page paper at a cost of 25 cents an issue. When he was in high school, he became a printer's devil (apprentice) at the paper.

He served in the Korean War after graduating and, as a full member of the typographical union, worked on the printing press at Tucson Newspapers. A lockout of union employees in the mid 1960's saw him and many workers out of a job.

El Tucsonense went out of business at around the same time, and Albert along with fellow TNI printer Oscar Araiza founded Old Pueblo Printers. The old linotype machine for *El Tucsonense* is still the one in the back of the shop.

Over the years, a variety of employees have worked at the shop, including another of Francisco's grandsons, current Los Angeles Angels owner Arte Moreno. All that time, the shop became the go to place to get printing done for local government officials, civic organizations, labor unions, as well as a whole raft full of local politicians. Those politicians included my dad and me.

His involvement was not just printing items for organizations, he was deeply involved too. He had a hand in advocating for more resources for Hispanic majority neighborhoods as well as moves to desegregate TUSD. He also served on the Tucson Community Center Commission, the Regional Transportation Authority, the Tucson-Pima Arts Council and the Downtown Tucson Partnership.

Even though he never served in public office, he was a model of committed and faithful citizenship that my colleagues and I strive to emulate.

My condolences go out to his children Albert Jr., Ana, Richard and the extended Elías clan, including his granddaughter Luz who I have been fortunate to work with over the last few months.

Services will be on Friday at San Agustín Cathedral. Visitation will be at 6 pm with a rosary at 7. Funeral mass will be celebrated at 10:30 on Saturday.

BOO-BASH

The City of Tucson Parks and Recreation department and Pima Community College East Campus present the Boo Bash at Lincoln Park (4325 S Pantano Road), a fun-filled night of tricks and treats. Come enjoy a haunted hayride, entertainment, temporary tattoos, carnival games, trunk-or-treat, and a costume contest. The costume contest will begin at 5:30 p.m. Categories include: infant, 2-4 years, 5-8 years, 9-12 years, teen/adult, and family. Food also will be available for purchase. Special thanks to our sponsors: Pima Community College, Tucson Water, Northwest Healthcare, CareMore Health Plan, Health Choice Arizona and Costco #1079 at Kino and I-10.

Everyone is welcome to this free event (donations will be accepted).

When: Saturday, Oct. 24, 4-7 p.m.

Contact: For more information please call the Clements Center at 791-5787 or visit the event Facebook page Boo Bash.

RILLITO INTERCEPT PROJECT

This week, the contractor has begun work in preparation for the rehabilitation of sewer facilities located in the area of River Road between Longfellow Avenue and Sutton Road. This work includes installing the temporary flow management piping along the north side of River Road from Longfellow Avenue to Sutton Road, north along the east side of Sutton Road, and west on Roger Road. (Once the flow management system is installed, it will remain in place until the rehabilitation is complete). This installation includes trenching across driveways within the area of the flow management system. Most installation work is scheduled from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

24-hour traffic control will be in place while work is being completed.

Traffic on the north side of River Road, between Longfellow Avenue and Sutton Road, will be shifted to the south side of the roadway, allowing one travel lane in each direction.

Access will be maintained to all side streets within the work area, however, there may be intermittent closures and/or turn restrictions while trench work is completed.

Turn movements will not be restricted from most side streets along River Road.

CAROL WEST SENIOR CENTER

Halloween Parties: Udall Center will host a Halloween Party on Thursday, October 29 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The cost is \$5.00. The event will have DJ music, dancing, costume contest, games, and food. The event will be held in the Udall Center, Multipurpose Room.

Seniors will have an opportunity to enjoy a field trip to the Freedom Center for a Halloween Party on Friday, October 30. Departure from the Carol West Senior Addition is 1:00 p.m. and return is 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$3.00.

Pickle-ball: A Pickle-ball Tournament will be held on Friday, October 16. Call the center for details

For questions on the activities listed above, please contact the Carol West Senior Addition, 791-4121.



PARKS PROGRAMS

Spring 2016 Program Guide and Class Catalog: Watch for the Spring 2016 Program Guide and Class Catalog to be available Monday, November 9, 2015. It will be available for free pick-up at all Parks and Recreation facilities. For questions or more information, contact the Registration Office at 791-4877.

Boo Bash Event: The Boo Bash event will be held at the Lincoln Park, 8155 E. Poinciana Drive on October 24, 2015 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. See page 3 for more information

Jenny Finch Softball Camp: Hosted at Lincoln Park, October 24-25. Visit <https://www.jenniefinch.com/softball-camps> for information.

Field Closures: The following park facilities are currently closed for maintenance: Udall Soccer Fields A-E, Lincoln Softball Fields 5-8 and Ft. Lowell Soccer and Field 8.

Winter Pool Closures: Ft. Lowell and Udall Pools will close November 6, 2015 through March 31, 2016. Pools will reopen on April 1, 2016.

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Please bring these items to the Ward 2 Office
for the following charities:

**THE COMMUNITY FOOD BANK—Non Perishable
Items**

**DIAPER BANK OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA—
Infant/Child/Adult Diapers**

**TIHAN - Personal Care Items for Individuals
and Families in Need**

LIONS CLUB—Eye Glasses

**DANCING IN THE STREETS ARIZONA—Ballet/
Dance Equipment**

CASA MARIA—Plastic bags

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Due to elections, the next Mayor and Council meeting will be on **Wednesday, November 4**. Regular Session starts at 5:30 pm following an afternoon study session.

There is always a short call to the audience before the business portion of the meeting. Council chambers are located downtown at 255 W Alameda.

The agendas for the meetings are posted online at <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/mcdocs>

